



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Georgia DOT Announces Possible Delays on Several Interstate Routes

Major Equipment at the Port of Savannah Headed for Kia Motors' West Point Facility

WHAT: The Georgia DOT is issuing oversized load permits for the transportation of stamping press parts from the Port of Savannah to the KIA facility in West Point, GA. These stamping press parts will be transported by three different shipments. Information on the first two shipments is listed below. The third shipment is tentatively scheduled for transport on Monday, April 18.

The Georgia State Patrol, utilizing flashing lights, is scheduled to escort the oversized loads on I-16 West from the Port in Savannah to Macon and then continue on I-75 North to the truck weigh station located just north of Forsyth in Monroe County, before continuing to the final destination in Troup County.

The [first shipment](#) is scheduled to leave Savannah on Thursday April 14 at 8:00 PM and arrive in the city of Forsyth on Friday, April 15 between 2:30 AM and 3:00 AM. Later that evening, beginning at 9:00 PM, this oversized load will continue its journey via I-75 North, I-285 West and I-85 South to the West Point KIA facility, arriving on Saturday, April 16.

The [second shipment](#) is scheduled to depart Savannah on Friday, April 15 at 8:00 PM, and arrive in Forsyth between 2:30 AM and 3:00 AM, Saturday, April 16. Later that evening this oversized load will continue on I-75 North, I-285 West and I-85 South to the West Point KIA facility beginning on Saturday, April 16 at 9:00 PM, and arriving at the KIA facilities on Sunday, April 17 between 12:50 AM and 1:20 AM.

This oversized load and escort vehicles will occupy two travel lanes. Portable message signs will be placed at various points along the route to notify motorists of slower moving traffic.

When approaching this oversized load, motorists should reduce their speed and use extreme caution while passing these slower moving escort vehicles and heavy equipment, especially with ongoing construction projects along the route.

LOCATIONS/TIMES:

SHIPMENT ONE DETAILS

Departing Thursday, April 14 at 8:00 PM from the Ocean Terminal, located at the port in Savannah, to the truck weigh station located on I-75 North just north of Forsyth via:

- U.S. 80/S.R. 26 (Chatham County) - Arrival time 8:05 PM
- U.S. 80/S.R. 26 CSX RR bridge at mile marker 11.2 (Chatham County) - Arrival time 8:10 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- Chatham Parkway - Arrival time 8:20 PM
- I-16 West- Arrival time 8:30 PM
- U.S. 280 S.R. 30 (Bryan County) - Arrival time 9:15 PM
- S.R. 119 (Bulloch County) - Arrival time 9:35 PM
- I-16 West- Arrival time 9:45 PM
- I-16 Exit #111/Pulaski Excelsior Rd. off and on ramp (Candler County) - Arrival time 10:30 PM
- I-16 bridge at mile marker 66.7 (Treutlen County) - Arrival time 11:20 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- S.R. 26 (Laurens County) - Arrival time 11:40 PM
- U.S. 80/S.R. 19 - Arrival time 11:45 PM
- S.R. 358 (Twiggs County) - Arrival time 12:01 AM, Friday, April 15
- S.R. 96 - Arrival time 12:10 AM
- U.S. 23/U.S. 129/S.R. 87 - Arrival time 12:15 AM
- U.S. 23/U.S. 129/S.R. 87 bridge at mile marker 3.7 (Twiggs County) - Arrival time 12:35 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-16 West (Bibb County) - Arrival time 1 AM
- I-75 North - Arrival time 1:00 AM
- I-75 - bridge at mile marker 165.5 (Bibb County) - Arrival time 1:10 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-75 Exit #169/C.R. 85/Arkwright Rd. off and on ramp (Bibb County) - Arrival time 1:25 AM
- I-75 - Clopper Road bridge at mile marker 176.35 (Monroe County) - Arrival time 1:45 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-75 - S.R. 42 bridge at mile marker 188 (Monroe County) - Arrival time 2:05 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- Truck weigh station located just north of Forsyth - Arrival time 2:15 AM. Oversized load will park at this time until Friday, April 15 at 9:00 PM

Departing Friday, April 15 at 9:00 PM from the truck weigh station located on I-75 North just north of Forsyth to the KIA facility in West Point via:

- I-75 North - Flippen Rd. bridge at mile marker 225.2 (Henry County) - Arrival time 10:20 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-285 West (Clayton County) - Arrival time 10:45 PM
- I-285 at I-85 bridge at mile marker 61.3 (Fulton County) - Arrival time 11:00 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-85 South - Arrival time 11:15 PM
- S.R. 154 (Coweta County) - Arrival time 11:40 PM

- S.R. 34 - Arrival time 11:45 PM
- I-85 South - Arrival time 11:50 PM
- I-85 Exit #18/S.R. 85/Greenville Rd. off and on ramp (Bibb County) - Arrival time 1:00 AM
- KIA Blvd. (Troup County) - Arrival time 1:15 AM
- KIA facility in West Point - Arrival time 1:20 AM

LOCATIONS/TIMES:

SHIPMENT TWO DETAILS

Departing Friday, April 15 at 8:00 PM from the Ocean Terminal, located at the port in Savannah, to the truck weigh station located on I-75 North just north of Forsyth via:

- U.S. 80/S.R. 26 (Chatham County) - Arrival time 8:05 PM
- U.S. 80/S.R. 26 CSX RR bridge at mile marker 11.2 (Chatham County) - Arrival time 8:10 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- Chatham Parkway - Arrival time 8:20 PM
- I-16 West- Arrival time 8:30 PM
- I-16 Exit #160/S.R. 307/Dean Forest Rd. off and on ramp (Chatham County) - Arrival time 8:40 PM
- U.S. 280 S.R. 30 (Bryan County) - Arrival time 9:25 PM
- S.R. 119 (Bulloch County) - Arrival time 9:45 PM
- I-16 West - Arrival time 10:00 PM
- I-16 Exit #111/Pulaski Excelsior Rd. off and on ramp (Candler County) - Arrival time 10:30 PM
- S.R. 57 (Candler County) - Arrival time 10:45 PM
- S.R. 46 - Arrival time 10:50 PM
- U.S. 1/S.R. 4 (Emanuel County) - Arrival time 11:00 PM
- I-16 West - Arrival time 11:15 PM
- I-16 Exit #71/S.R. 15/S.R. 78 off and on ramp (Treutlen County) - Arrival time 11:35 PM
- I-16 bridge at mile marker 66.7 (Treutlen County) - Arrival time 11:55 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-16 Exit #54/S.R. 19 off and on ramp (Laurens County) - Arrival time 12:05 AM, Saturday, April 16.
- S.R. 26 (Laurens County) - Arrival time 12:25 AM
- U.S. 80/S.R. 19 - Arrival time 12:30 AM
- S.R. 358 (Twiggs County) - Arrival time 12:40 AM
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- U.S. 23/U.S. 129/S.R. 87 - Arrival time 1:10 AM
- U.S. 23/U.S. 129/S.R. 87 bridge at mile marker 3.7 (Twiggs County) - Arrival time 1:35 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-16 West (Bibb County) - Arrival time 1:55 AM.
- I-75 North - Arrival time 2:00 AM
- I-75 - bridge at mile marker 165.5 (Bibb County) - Arrival time 2:15 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-75 Exit #169/C.R. 85/Arkwright Rd. off and on ramp (Bibb County) - Arrival time 2:20 AM
- I-75 - Clopper Road bridge at mile marker 176.35 (Monroe County) - Arrival time 2:30 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-75 - S.R. 42 bridge at mile marker 188 (Monroe County) - Arrival time 2:50 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)

- Truck weigh station located just north of Forsyth - Arrival time 3:00 AM. Oversized load will park at this time until 9:00 PM, Saturday, April 16.

Departing Saturday, April 16 at 9:00 PM from the truck weigh station located on I-75 North just north of Forsyth to the KIA facility in West Point via:

- I-75 North - Flippen Rd. bridge at mile marker 225.2 (Henry County) - Arrival time 10:20 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-285 West (Clayton County) - Arrival time 10:55 PM
- I-285 at I-85 bridge at mile marker 61.3 (Fulton County) - Arrival time 11:15 PM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-85 South - Arrival time 11:30 PM.
- I-85 Exit #61/S.R. 74/Senoia Rd. off and on ramp (Fulton County) - Arrival time 11:35 AM
- S.R. 154 (Coweta County) - Arrival time 11:50 PM
- S.R. 34 - Arrival time 11:55 PM
- I-85 South - Arrival time 12:01 AM, Sunday, April 17.
- S.R. 14/U.S. 29 (Meriwether County) - Arrival time 12:35 AM
- Forest Rd. bridge over I-85 at mile marker 10.2 (Meriwether County) - Arrival time 12:45 AM (Law enforcement will pace of motorists to reduced the speed in this area)
- I-85 on ramp (Troup County) - Arrival time 1:10 AM
- I-85 Exit #18/S.R. 85/Greenville Rd. off and on ramp - Arrival time 1:30 AM
- KIA Blvd. (Troup County) - Arrival time 1:40 AM
- KIA facility in West Point - Arrival time Sunday, April 17 at 1:45 AM

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org.

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